

day in the summer of 1951, Ginny, Woody, and Celia arrived near the northern boundary of Mt. McKinley National Park in search of some land to homestead within view of Denali. That fall, Celia Hunter homesteaded 67 acres. Together, the founders built Camp Denali with locally-harvested spruce logs and reclaimed materials from the National Park Service, often with the help of friends and visitors, who would drop in just to look, but would stay to help haul logs. Ginny and Celia ran Camp Denali for 25 years, operating the remote tourist resort, forging livelihoods out of ingenuity, hospitality, and love of the land.

Ginny was a committed, persistent, eloquent voice for conservation issues in Alaska. She was not afraid to speak on behalf of her values, and will be remembered in part as Alaska's pioneer conservationist. Her independent lifestyle, from building cabins, flying in the bush, and guiding in the Brooks Range and ANWR has inspired and served as an example for those around her. Her service as a WASP earned her a Congressional Gold Medal. She also received the Alaska-Siberia Lend Lease Award for her flying in 2002. I had the honor of presenting Ginny her Congressional Gold Medal at her cabin in Fairbanks in 2010 as she was unable to attend the ceremony in Washington, DC. Pouring through her scrapbook and listening to her stories was a visit I will always remember.

Though many have noted that she served as a role model for other women, Ginny stated that "I did what I wanted to do and I happened to be a woman." I admired her strong commitment to protecting the beauty of Alaska and her zest for life.

I extend my sincerest condolences to Ginny's remaining family; her daughter Romany Wood and son-in-law Carl Rosenberg of San Cristobal, NM. Alaska has lost a friend and champion. May she rest in peace.●

EXECUTIVE AND OTHER COMMUNICATIONS

The following communications were laid before the Senate, together with accompanying papers, reports, and documents, and were referred as indicated:

EC-852. A communication from the Director of the Regulatory Management Division, Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Amitraz; Pesticide Tolerances" (FRL No. 9381-1) received in the Office of the President of the Senate on March 19, 2013; to the Committee on Agriculture, Nutrition, and Forestry.

EC-853. A communication from the Director of the Regulatory Management Division, Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Revision to the California State Implementation Plan, South Coast Air Quality Management District" (FRL No. 9779-2) received in the Office of the President of the Senate on March 19, 2013; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

EC-854. A communication from the Director of the Regulatory Management Division,

Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Approval and Promulgation of Implementation Plans; Region 4 States; Prong 3 of Section 110(a)(2)(D)(i) Infrastructure Requirement for the 1997 and 2006 Fine Particulate Matter National Ambient Air Quality Standards" (FRL No. 9792-2) received in the Office of the President of the Senate on March 19, 2013; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

EC-855. A communication from the Director of the Regulatory Management Division, Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Approval and Promulgation of Implementation Plans; State of Washington; Revised Format of 40 CFR Part 52 for Materials Incorporated by Reference" (FRL No. 9768-9) received in the Office of the President of the Senate on March 19, 2013; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

EC-856. A communication from the Director of the Regulatory Management Division, Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Approval and Promulgation of Air Quality Implementation Plans; Minnesota; Flint Hills Resources Pine Bend" (FRL No. 9792-8) received in the Office of the President of the Senate on March 19, 2013; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

EC-857. A communication from the Director of the Regulatory Management Division, Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Designation of Areas for Air Quality Planning Purposes; State of California; Imperial Valley Planning Area for PM 10; Clarification of Nonattainment Area Boundary" (FRL No. 9791-6) received in the Office of the President of the Senate on March 19, 2013; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

EC-858. A communication from the Director of Congressional Affairs, Nuclear Regulatory Commission, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Physical Protection of Byproduct Material" (RIN3150-A112) received in the Office of the President of the Senate on March 19, 2013; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

EC-859. A communication from the Program Manager, Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services, Department of Health and Human Services, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Medicare and Medicaid Programs; Requirements for Long-Term Care (LTC) Facilities; Notice of Facility Closure" (RIN0938-AQ09) received in the Office of the President of the Senate on March 19, 2013; to the Committee on Finance.

EC-860. A communication from the Chief of the Publications and Regulations Branch, Internal Revenue Service, Department of the Treasury, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Update of Weighted Average Interest Rates, Yield Curves, and Segment Rates" (Notice 2013-23) received in the Office of the President of the Senate on March 18, 2013; to the Committee on Finance.

EC-861. A communication from the President of the United States, transmitting, pursuant to law, a report relative to the United States having provided limited technical support to French forces that conducted an operation in Somalia; to the Committee on Foreign Relations.

EC-862. A communication from the Deputy Assistant to the President and Executive Secretary and Chief of Staff of the National Security Staff, transmitting, pursuant to law, a report relative to the War Powers Resolution (Public Law 93-148); to the Committee on Foreign Relations.

EC-863. A communication from the Acting Assistant Secretary, Legislative Affairs, De-

partment of State, transmitting, certification of a proposed amendment of an export license pursuant to section 36(c) of the Arms Export Control Act (Transmittal No. DDTC 13-019); to the Committee on Foreign Relations.

EC-864. A communication from the Acting Assistant Secretary, Legislative Affairs, Department of State, transmitting, pursuant to law, a report relative to the effectiveness of United Nations efforts to prevent sexual exploitation and abuse and trafficking in persons in UN peacekeeping missions; to the Committee on Foreign Relations.

EC-865. A communication from the Secretary of Health and Human Services, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a petition to add workers from the Hanford site in Hanford, Washington, to the Special Exposure Cohort; to the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions.

EC-866. A communication from the Secretary of Health and Human Services, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a petition to add workers from General Steel Industries, Granite City, Illinois, to the Special Exposure Cohort; to the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions.

EC-867. A communication from the Secretary of Health and Human Services, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a petition to add workers who were employed at the Baker Brothers site in Toledo, Ohio, to the Special Exposure Cohort; to the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions.

EC-868. A communication from the Secretary of Health and Human Services, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a petition to add workers who were employed at the Joslyn Manufacturing and Supply Co. at the covered facility in Fort Wayne, Indiana, to the Special Exposure Cohort; to the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions.

EC-869. A communication from the Secretary of Health and Human Services, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a petition to add workers who were employed at the Battelle Laboratories King Avenue site in Columbus, Ohio, to the Special Exposure Cohort; to the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions.

EC-870. A communication from the Investigative Specialist, Directorate of Whistleblower Protection Program, Occupational Safety and Health Administration, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Procedures for the Handling of Retaliation Complaints Under Section 1558 of the Affordable Care Act" (RIN1218-AC79) received in the Office of the President of the Senate on March 11, 2013; to the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions.

EC-871. A communication from the Secretary of Health and Human Services, transmitting, pursuant to law, a report entitled "The Protection and Advocacy for Individuals with Mental Illness (PAIMI) Program Activities Report for Fiscal Years 2009 and 2010"; to the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions.

REPORTS OF COMMITTEES

The following reports of committees were submitted:

By Mr. HARKIN, from the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions, without amendment:

S. 622. An original bill to amend the Federal Food, Drug, and Cosmetic Act to reauthorize user fee programs relating to new animal drugs and generic new animal drugs.

EXECUTIVE REPORTS OF
COMMITTEE

The following executive reports of nominations were submitted:

By Mr. LEVIN for the Committee on Armed Services.

*Frederick Vollrath, of Virginia, to be an Assistant Secretary of Defense.

*Alan F. Estevez, of the District of Columbia, to be a Principal Deputy Under Secretary of Defense.

*Eric K. Fanning, of the District of Columbia, to be Under Secretary of the Air Force.

*Air Force nomination of Lt. Gen. John E. Hyten, to be Lieutenant General.

Air Force nomination of Maj. Gen. Tod D. Wolters, to be Lieutenant General.

Marine Corps nominations beginning with Brigadier General John J. Broadmeadow and ending with Brigadier General Vincent R. Stewart, which nominations were received by the Senate and appeared in the Congressional Record on January 22, 2013.

Navy nomination of Rear Adm. Bruce E. Grooms, to be Vice Admiral.

Mr. LEVIN. Mr. President, for the Committee on Armed Services I report favorably the following nomination lists which were printed in the RECORDS on the dates indicated, and ask unanimous consent, to save the expense of reprinting on the Executive Calendar that these nominations lie at the Secretary's desk for the information of Senators.

The PRESIDING OFFICER. Without objection, it is so ordered.

Air Force nominations beginning with Alexander M. Archibald III and ending with Timothy Y. Salam, which nominations were received by the Senate and appeared in the Congressional Record on February 27, 2013.

Army nomination of Michael J. Burke, to be Major.

Army nomination of Charles A. Slaney, to be Colonel.

Army nominations beginning with Sara L. Carlson and ending with David R. Trainor, which nominations were received by the Senate and appeared in the Congressional Record on February 27, 2013.

Army nominations beginning with James W. Ness and ending with Zachary T. Irvine, which nominations were received by the Senate and appeared in the Congressional Record on February 27, 2013.

Marine Corps nominations beginning with James B. Thompson and ending with Jason A. Woodworth, which nominations were received by the Senate and appeared in the Congressional Record on January 23, 2013.

Marine Corps nominations beginning with Michael A. Brown and ending with Michael E. Samples, Jr., which nominations were received by the Senate and appeared in the Congressional Record on January 23, 2013.

*Nomination was reported with recommendation that it be confirmed subject to the nominee's commitment to respond to requests to appear and testify before any duly constituted committee of the Senate.

(Nominations without an asterisk were reported with the recommendation that they be confirmed.)

INTRODUCTION OF BILLS AND
JOINT RESOLUTIONS

The following bills and joint resolutions were introduced, read the first and second times by unanimous consent, and referred as indicated:

By Mr. SCHATZ:

S. 618. A bill to require the Secretary of the Interior to conduct certain special resource studies; to the Committee on Energy and Natural Resources.

By Mr. PAUL (for himself and Mr. LEAHY):

S. 619. A bill to amend title 18, United States Code, to prevent unjust and irrational criminal punishments; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

By Mr. CORNYN:

S. 620. A bill to withhold the salary of the Director of OMB upon failure to submit the President's budget to Congress as required by section 1105 of title 31, United States Code; to the Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs.

By Mr. MANCHIN (for himself, Mr. KIRK, Mrs. FEINSTEIN, Mr. ROCKEFELLER, Mrs. GILLIBRAND, and Mr. SCHUMER):

S. 621. A bill to amend the Controlled Substances Act to make any substance containing hydrocodone a schedule II drug; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

By Mr. HARKIN:

S. 622. An original bill to amend the Federal Food, Drug, and Cosmetic Act to reauthorize user fee programs relating to new animal drugs and generic new animal drugs; from the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions; placed on the calendar.

By Mr. CARDIN (for himself and Mr. VITTER):

S. 623. A bill to amend title XVIII of the Social Security Act to ensure the continued access of Medicare beneficiaries to diagnostic imaging services; to the Committee on Finance.

By Mr. BURR (for himself, Ms. MIKULSKI, Mr. RUBIO, Mr. HATCH, Mrs. BOXER, and Mr. BENNET):

S. 624. A bill to amend the Child Care and Development Block Grant Act of 1990 to require criminal background checks for child care providers; to the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions.

By Mr. ENZI (for himself, Mrs. SHAHEEN, Mr. ISAKSON, and Mr. CARPER):

S. 625. A bill to provide for a biennial appropriations process with the exception of defense spending and to enhance oversight and the performance of the Federal Government; to the Committee on the Budget.

By Mr. SANDERS:

S. 626. A bill to de-link research and development incentives from drug prices for new medicines to treat HIV/AIDS and to stimulate greater sharing of scientific knowledge; to the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions.

By Mr. SANDERS:

S. 627. A bill to provide incentives for investment in research and development for new medicines, to enhance access to new medicines, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions.

By Mr. TESTER (for himself, Mr. BAUCUS, Mr. BEGICH, and Ms. KLOBUCHAR):

S. 628. A bill to amend title 10, United States Code, to extend the duration of the Physical Disability Board of Review and to the expand the authority of such Board to review of the separation of members of the Armed Forces on the basis of mental condition not amounting to disability, including separation on the basis of a personality or adjustment disorder; to the Committee on Armed Services.

By Mr. PRYOR (for himself, Mr. BOOZMAN, Mr. TESTER, Mr. GRASSLEY, Mr. LEAHY, Mr. JOHNSON of South Dakota, Mr. HARKIN, Mr. BEGICH, Mr. FRANKEN, and Mr. WYDEN):

S. 629. A bill to amend title 38, United States Code, to recognize the service in the

reserve components of the Armed Forces of certain persons by honoring them with status as veterans under law, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Veterans' Affairs.

By Ms. MURKOWSKI (for herself, Ms. LANDRIEU, Mr. BEGICH, and Ms. HEITKAMP):

S. 630. A bill to establish a partnership between States that produce energy onshore and offshore for our country with the Federal Government; to the Committee on Energy and Natural Resources.

By Mr. HARKIN (for himself, Ms. MIKULSKI, Mrs. MURRAY, Mr. CASEY, Mr. FRANKEN, Mr. WHITEHOUSE, Mr. MURPHY, Ms. WARREN, Mr. LEVIN, Mr. DURBIN, Mr. SCHUMER, Mr. LAUTENBERG, Mr. BROWN, Mr. MERKLEY, Mrs. GILLIBRAND, Mr. BLUMENTHAL, Ms. HIRONO, and Mr. COWAN):

S. 631. A bill to allow Americans to earn paid sick time so that they can address their own health needs and the health needs of their families; to the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions.

SUBMISSION OF CONCURRENT AND
SENATE RESOLUTIONS

The following concurrent resolutions and Senate resolutions were read, and referred (or acted upon), as indicated:

By Mr. BEGICH (for himself, Mr. SESSIONS, and Ms. AYOTTE):

S. Res. 82. A resolution commemorating the 30th anniversary of the proposal for the Strategic Defense Initiative; to the Committee on Armed Services.

By Mr. CASEY (for himself, Ms. COLLINS, Mr. BROWN, Ms. LANDRIEU, and Mr. BLUMENTHAL):

S. Res. 83. A resolution supporting the goals and ideals of Multiple Sclerosis Awareness Week; to the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions.

By Mr. MENENDEZ (for himself, Mr. BARRASSO, Mr. CASEY, Mr. JOHNSON of South Dakota, Mr. CHAMBLISS, Mr. LEVIN, Mr. DURBIN, Mrs. SHAHEEN, Mr. REED, Mr. WYDEN, Mr. KIRK, Mr. CARPER, Mr. SCHUMER, Ms. MIKULSKI, Mr. CARDIN, Mr. COCHRAN, Mr. WHITEHOUSE, Mr. MANCHIN, Mr. LAUTENBERG, Mr. MURPHY, Mr. BEGICH, Mr. BROWN, Mrs. BOXER, Mrs. GILLIBRAND, Mr. ROCKEFELLER, Mr. RUBIO, Mrs. FEINSTEIN, Mr. BLUNT, Mr. NELSON, Mr. ISAKSON, and Mr. ENZI):

S. Res. 84. A resolution recognizing the 192nd anniversary of the independence of Greece and celebrating democracy in Greece and the United States; considered and agreed to.

By Mr. SESSIONS (for himself and Mr. CARDIN):

S. Res. 85. A resolution designating April 2013 as "National Congenital Diaphragmatic Hernia Awareness Month"; considered and agreed to.

ADDITIONAL COSPONSORS

S. 17

At the request of Mr. VITTER, the name of the Senator from Utah (Mr. HATCH) was added as a cosponsor of S. 17, a bill to stimulate the economy, produce domestic energy, and create jobs at no cost to the taxpayers, and without borrowing money from foreign governments for which our children and grandchildren will be responsible, and for other purposes.